

Date: September 13, 2012

To: Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager
Through: Keith Chadwell, Deputy City Manager
From: Marvin G. Williams, Director of Public Works
Subject: Agenda Item – Adopting Preliminary Assessment Rolls and Setting Public Hearings for Confirmation of Assessment Rolls

Sewer Main on Loftin Drive from the South Property Line of PIN 0852-02-76-1568 North to Cheek Road

Water Main on Loftin Drive from Fletchers Chapel Road North to Cheek Road

Sewer Main on Angier Avenue from the North Property Line of Tax Map 591-1-41 to Cortez Drive and Cortez Drive from Angier Avenue to the North Property Line of Tax Map 591-1-48

Sewer Main on East Cornwallis Road from the Southeast Property Line of PIN 0729-02-97-9394 Northwest to the Northwest Property Line of Pin 0739-01-07-0820

Executive Summary

The City Council previously adopted a resolution ordering the making of the subject improvements, which have now been completed. The preliminary assessment rolls have been prepared in accordance with Sections 77 and 78 of the Charter of the City of Durham. The next step is for City Council to adopt a resolution adopting each preliminary assessment roll and setting a public hearing on each preliminary assessment roll.

Recommendation

The Public Works Department recommends that City Council adopt resolutions adopting the preliminary assessment rolls and setting public hearings for confirmation of the subject assessment rolls.

Background:

The subject improvements were ordered by adoption of a resolution by City Council in accordance with Sections 77 and 78 of the Charter of the City of Durham, which provide for assessment of abutting properties. The improvements have now been completed and a preliminary assessment roll has been prepared for each improvement. The next step in the assessment process is for City Council to adopt the preliminary assessment rolls and to set a public hearing for confirmation of each of the assessment rolls.

Issues and Analysis:

Sections 77 and 78 of the Charter of the City of Durham dictate that City Council shall ascertain the total cost of each improvement and the amount that should be assessed against each lot abutting on the improvement and set a fixed time and place to hear objections to special assessments.

Alternatives:

There is not an alternative per the City Charter.

Financial Impacts:

Adopting the preliminary assessment rolls and setting the public hearings for the confirmation of the subject assessment rolls are necessary steps in the process of assessing abutting properties and collecting payment for these improvements.

SBDE Summary:

The SDBE Summary is not applicable to this item.

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